

Statutes

Action group Bobenthal - St. Germanshof e. V.

§ 1 Name, registered office

The association bears the name "Aktionsgemeinschaft Bobenthal - St. Germanshof" with the addition of "eingetragener Verein".
The association has its seat in 67697 Otterberg.

§ 2 Purpose

(1) The purpose of the association is the endeavour to understand Europe's present, to reduce prejudices, to win young people for Europe, to learn from the past and, to this end, to upgrade the place of the first demonstrative border crossing as a "European memory area and European meeting place".

(2) The purpose of the Articles of Association shall be achieved in particular by

- Preservation and development of the site of the first European unification in 1950 St. Germanshof -Wissembourg with customs house, monument, open space and information point;
- Local education and information actions which, while respecting cultural autonomy, support contact at European level and promote understanding of Europe and intergenerational dialogue on Europe and its future;
- Offer training camps and meetings, especially for the young generation from different European countries;
- Cross-media publications that serve to develop and maintain a special European awareness through "European memory spaces".

(3) The association exclusively and directly pursues charitable purposes within the meaning of §§ 52 and 53 of the German Tax Code (section "Tax-privileged purposes").

(4) The association is non-profit-making. It does not pursue any self-economic purposes.

(5) Funds of the association may only be used for purposes in accordance with the statutes. The members do not receive any benefits from the association's funds. However, they are entitled to reimbursement of verifiable costs incurred for undertakings on behalf of the Association.

(6) No person may be favoured by expenditures that are alien to the purpose of the association.

§ 3 Organs of the association

The organs of the association are:

- The general assembly,
- the executive board,
- the extended board,
- the board of trustees.

§ 4 The General Meeting

(1) The general meeting must be convened annually, or more often if necessary. Further details are regulated in Article 4 (9).

(2) General meetings are convened in writing by the president or, if the president is unable to attend, by the second president, with notification of the agenda and place. The period of notice shall be at least 2 weeks.

(3) The quorum of the general meeting is reached if it has been convened in accordance with the articles of association.

(4) General Meetings are chaired by the Chairman, if he is unable to attend, by the second Chairman. If the second chairman is also prevented, the general meeting shall elect a chairman.

(5) Proposals to add to or amend the agenda must be submitted in writing to the chairman at least one week before the general meeting.

The General Meeting decides on the acceptance of motions by a majority of the valid votes cast. Abstentions are considered invalid votes. In the event of a tie, the President shall decide.

(6) A majority of $\frac{3}{4}$ of the valid votes cast is required to amend the statutes, and a majority of $\frac{9}{10}$ of the valid votes cast is required to amend the purpose of the association.

(7) Voting at the general meeting is always open. At the request of at least 5% of those present, a written vote must be taken.

(8) Each member has 1 vote in the assembly. Members who do not participate in the meeting can transfer their vote in writing to a participating member.

(9) Extraordinary general meetings take place if this is necessary in the interest of the association or if $\frac{1}{5}$ of the members make a written and reasoned request. The request must be submitted to the President, who will convene the extraordinary general meeting within a maximum of 4 weeks.

(10) Minutes of the results of the meeting must be drawn up, indicating the place and time, and must be signed by the secretary and the president (in the absence of the second president or the chairman of the meeting).

§ 5 Managing Director

(1) The executive committee is responsible for all matters of the association, as far as they are not transferred to other organs of the association by the statutes. It has in particular the following tasks:

- Management of current business,
- Planning of measures to achieve the purpose of the statutes,
- Execution of resolutions of the general meeting,
- Execution of the financial transactions of the association,
- Resolution on the admission of new members,
- Appointment of experts to support the work of the Board,
- Preparation of the general meeting as well as the statutes of the extended board.

(2) The executive committee consists of

- the chairperson
- the second chairperson,
- the secretary
- the treasurer*in

(3) The executive committee is elected by the general meeting for a period of 4 years. He remains in office after the end of his term of office until the new election. After the election of the Chairman and the 2nd Chairman, they propose the other two members of the Executive Board.

(4) If a member of the Executive Board retires within the term of office, the remaining members of the Executive Board may appoint a successor for the period up to the new election.

(5) Meetings of the Executive Board shall be convened by the Chairman or, if he is prevented from doing so, by the 2nd Chairman. The convocation does not require any form.

(6) The executive committee is quorate if at least 3 of its members are present.

(7) Decisions shall be taken by majority vote. In the event of a tie, the chairman shall have the casting vote.

(8) Minutes shall be taken of the results of the meeting, which shall be signed by the secretary and the chairman (in the event of his being prevented, by the second chairman).

(9) The Executive Board may at any time convene the Extended Board or involve experts in its work to fulfil its tasks.

§ 6 Extended Executive Board

(1) The extended executive committee is responsible for the tasks assigned to it by the statutes.

(2) The extended executive committee consists of the executive board as well as 3 elected members and a free number of experts. Experts will be appointed by the Executive Board as required and will be confirmed or newly appointed by the Executive Board after a period of 4 years.

(3) Meetings of the extended Executive Board shall be convened by the Chairman or, in his absence, by the 2nd Chairman. The convening does not require any form.

(4) The extended executive committee is quorate if at least 1/3 of its members, including the chairman or the 2nd chairman, are present.

(5) Decisions shall be taken by majority vote. In the event of a tie, the chairman shall have the casting vote.

(6) Minutes shall be taken of the results of the meeting and shall be signed by the secretary and the chairman (or, if he is unable to do so, by the second chairman).

§ 7 The Board of Trustees

(1) The Board of Trustees consists of the following persons elected by the General Assembly

(2) The Board of Trustees shall meet as required. The chairman of the association invites to this meeting with one month's notice. The chairman of the board of trustees or his deputy is the chairman of the association.

(3) The Board of Trustees decides on important decisions of the Association which are not the responsibility of the General Assembly. Resolutions of the Board of Trustees are passed by a 2/3 majority of the members present. Minutes shall be taken of the meeting of the Board of Trustees. The minutes shall be signed by the chairman and an executive member of the board.

§ 8 Admission of members

(1) Natural and legal persons as well as public corporations may become members of the association. The minimum age is 16 years.

(2) Full and supporting members can be accepted.

(3) The prerequisite for membership is a written application for admission, which is to be addressed to the executive committee. The Executive Board shall decide on the application. In the event of rejection, the applicant must be informed in writing of the reasons.

The applicant may object to this notification in writing to the chairman within 14 days. The Extended Board shall decide on the objection at the latest 4 weeks after receipt of the objection.

§ 9 Membership fees

(1) Membership of the action group shall be subject to an annual fee. The general meeting decides on the amount.

(2) Ordinary members shall pay at least the amount determined in this connection. Supporting members declare their willingness to support the association ideologically and / or materially. This includes, for example, public institutions, schools, universities, public research institutions, associations and federations with similar objectives.

§ 10 End of membership

(1) Membership ends by death, dissolution of the legal entity, exclusion, voluntary resignation or deletion from the list of members.

(2) Voluntary resignation is effected by written declaration of the member to the executive committee. Resignation is only possible at the end of the calendar year. A period of notice of 1 month must be observed.

(3) If a member culpably violates the interests of the association in a gross manner or acts contrary to the purposes of the association, he or she can be excluded by resolution of the extended executive committee. Before the resolution is passed, the member must be given the opportunity to make an oral or written statement. The decision of the extended executive committee must be justified in writing and sent to the member.

§ 11 External representation

The association is jointly represented by the chairman and another member of the executive committee.

§ 12 Dissolution of the association

(1) The dissolution of the association is only possible within the framework of an extraordinary general meeting. In this case, the period of notice is 4 weeks.

(2) A majority of 9/10 of the valid votes cast is required for the conclusion on dissolution.

(3) In the event of dissolution of the association, the association's assets shall be transferred to the municipality of Dahner Felsenland. The assets have to be used exclusively and directly for the mentioned statutory purposes.

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Chairman